Rehabilitation Committee on railway bridges

758. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU:
SHRI ABANI ROY:
SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kadalundi river bridge which collapsed under the impact of Mangalore-Chennai Mail in June, 2001 resulting in the death of several innocent persons, was written off in 1989 by Bridge Rehabilitation Committee;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not replacing the bridge; and

(c) whether Government propose to fix up responsibility in this case and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

Wagons orders to a debarred company

759. SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE:
SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether release of orders for the year 2001-2002 had been withheld, pending enquiries in the non-use of specified steel by wagon builders;

(b) if so, when was the decision taken;

(c) whether Concor, a subsidiary of Indian Railways, was informed of the same;

(d) if so, how an order of 1320 container flat wagons was released to a company debarred from receiving orders from Indian Railways on the above allegations; and

(e) by when was the order placed by Concor on the debarred company?